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The Utah KIDS COUNT program provides information about child well-being to enhance discussions on securing better futures for children. Indicators of children's quality of life are chosen to reflect a range of influences on children, conditions across developmental stages, and comparisons across time. Ten indicators examined included: (1) low birth-weight babies; (2) infant mortality; (3) child death; (4) births to single teens; (5) juvenile violent crime arrests; (6) graduation from high school; (7) teens not in school and not employed; (8) teen violent deaths; (9) children in poverty; and (10) children in single-parent families. This indicator data is summarized in tables by county on a topical basis including: (1) "1993 Utah Families: Demographics and Economics" which addressed poverty, income, hunger, taxes, homelessness, and housing; (2) "1993 Child Protection" which examined abuse, neglect, foster care, adoption, and domestic violence; (3) "1992 Maternal and Child Health" which examined pregnancy, births, low birth weight, infant death, child death, WIC participation, health care access, family planning, disabilities, infectious disease, AIDS/HIV, and sexually transmitted diseases; (4) "1993 Juvenile Justice" which addressed juvenile court, gang activity, and youth corrections; and (5) "1993 Mental Health" which studied mental illness, hospital inpatient discharges, and substance abuse. (SD)

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UTAH KIDS COUNT

Utah KIDS COUNT is part of the national KIDS COUNT program funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation in Baltimore, Maryland.

Providing policy-makers and citizens with information about child well-being, Utah KIDS COUNT seeks to enhance local, state and national discussions concerning ways to secure better futures for our children.

Utah KIDS COUNT joins national and state-by-state efforts to track the status of children in the United States.



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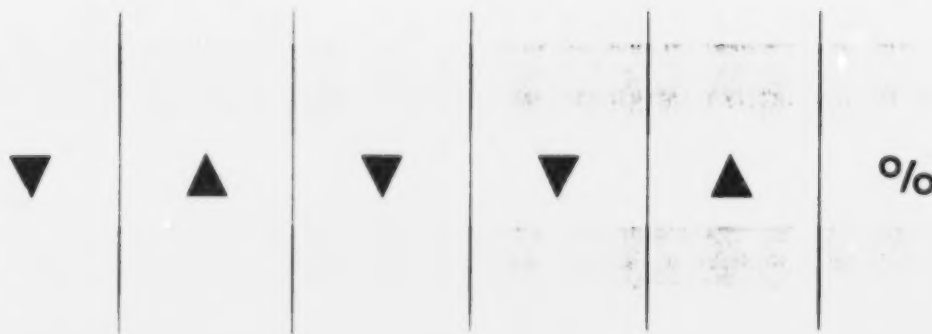
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Petroglyphs tell us much about ancient peoples. These **symbols** tell how they fed their families, planned ahead, and ordered their lives.



Their society was simple. Ours is increasingly complex, and frequently it is our children who bear the brunt of that complexity.



Now we use **indicators** or **measures** to tell a story about our society. They show us what we need to do to help create positive futures for children.

Indicators

The following ten measures were developed by the national **KIDS COUNT** project. While they cannot capture the full range of circumstances that shape our children's lives, these indicators reflect three important attributes: 1) a range of conditions influencing children's well-being; 2) conditions across developmental stages; and 3) comparisons across time and place.

PERCENT LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT BABIES

A newborn baby weighing less than 2,500 grams (5.5 pounds), enters life with a high likelihood of problems later in childhood. Growth stages and abilities may be different - often difficult - challenging the child's physical, mental and social development. Increased numbers of low-birth weight babies may suggest a decrease in the overall health status or access to care of mothers.

Research shows that women who do not receive early prenatal care are more likely to give birth to a baby under 5.5 pounds. Mothers without health insurance are least likely to seek appropriate prenatal care. Among other serious effects, the lack of prenatal care can contribute to the number of pregnant women who jeopardize the health of their unborn child by smoking, using drugs, drinking alcohol, poor nutrition or inadequate diets.

While infant mortality due to low birth weight is declining it remains high among infants of color. Known risk factors such as lack of prenatal care account for a small number of these cases. For example, high rates persist when control variables such as the mother's educational level are studied.

INFANT MORTALITY RATE (birth to one year)

Nationally and in Utah, the infant mortality rate has been dropping. This encouraging process reflects new advances in neonatal medical care and improved public education about prenatal care and the effects of smoking and drinking.

While Utah shows excellent improvement in this indicator of child well-being, for some populations - especially poor families living in distressed neighborhoods - infant mortality rates are still quite high. According to the 1990 Census, there are four distressed Utah neighborhoods: one in Salt Lake City and three in Ogden. Communities with high rates of poverty, unemployment, prison incarceration, and illiteracy, often endure higher infant mortality rates because it is difficult for parents to prevent illness and to access good medical care.

CHILD DEATH RATE

This indicator includes deaths from disease, homicide, suicide, and accidents of all kinds for children, birth to 19 years. The leading cause of death is motor vehicle related accidents. While it appears that these deaths are declining, motor vehicle/pedestrian deaths are on the rise. Despite improvements in hospital trauma care, auto safety, and accident prevention, too many children are still living at risk for death.

This measure signals that children need adults who speak up on their behalf for preventive approaches. Such preventions include parent education about child behavior from a developmental perspective; quality child care from mature and trained caretakers; consistently enforced seat-belt laws and speed limits; safe playgrounds and adequate supervision. Community-wide vigilance is necessary to ensure that all of our children are safe and secure at home, school and in public areas.

PERCENT OF ALL BIRTHS TO SINGLE TEENS

The increasing percentage of births to single teens worries health educators, parents, teachers, and government agencies. It not only reflects a growing number of babies who will have to overcome many odds to succeed; it also reveals that many teens believe their choices in adulthood are limited.

Increases in births to adolescent mothers - married or unmarried - are troubling for several reasons. Marital status at time of birth will not protect a teen mother or her child(ren) from poverty. Marriages between young partners tend to be less stable than those begun later in life, when the partners are more mature. Also, the earlier a young woman gives birth, the greater the likelihood she won't finish high school or go on to college.

Parents who don't complete their education have increased difficulty in today's labor market. If a teen mother with minimal education is married and later divorced, her earning power is lessened. Even among families with more education, households with only one adult employed usually have lower incomes and fewer resources for supporting the many costs of raising children.

JUVENILE VIOLENT CRIME ARREST RATE

Utah dropped from 26th in the national ranking to 31st in one year. This rate reflects the number of youths between the ages of 10 and 17 years who have been arrested for homicide, forcible rape, robbery or aggravated assault.

For a young person, being arrested for a violent crime is clearly a negative outcome. Adolescents arrested for committing a violent crime have usually been on a problematic path for some time; their chances for smooth transitions to productive adulthood are jeopardized.

It is important to remember that while the rate of change shows an increase, most of our adolescents are not in this category. It is also possible that changes in the arrest rates reflect changes in police surveillance, or in public policy, rather than a surge in violent behavior among teens.



PERCENT GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL

Utahns have been living in a relatively robust economy for more than ten years, an economy increasingly based upon educational attainment rather than physical labor. Graduation rate is an important indicator of how well youth are progressing in preparation for the future. There are striking differences in earning power between those who graduate from high school and those who do not.

Without a high school diploma most young adults do not go on to college, technical training, or to employment that will lead to sustainable incomes. Unemployment is much higher among those who do not finish high school. Unemployment can also contribute to mental and physical depression.

Economic security for young adults, and the families they will form, depends upon gaining employable skills fine-tuned for a technological society. This indicator has shown unsteadiness over the past six years in the rate of Utah's teens staying in high school through graduation, rising and falling several times. This past year Utah slipped from 10th highest in the nation to 19th.

The economic gap between those with a high school diploma and those who drop out will likely grow even wider. As Utah moves into the twenty-first century, parents, schools, and communities are challenged to provide education programs which provide advanced skills and technological knowledge required for meaningful employment.

PERCENT TEENS NOT IN SCHOOL AND NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE

This indicator requires some interpretation and adaptation. Clearly, youth who have dropped out of school and are not in the labor force are vulnerable. Work experience at this point in their life is especially critical. People who spend a large share of their young adult years unemployed have a hard time finding work and staying employed later in life.

Utah demographics reveal a 30.4% increase in the teen population during the last decade. We need more information about those who are out of school and out of work.

TEEN VIOLENT DEATH RATE

This indicator reflects injury-related deaths among youth age 15 to 19 years. Trends in this rate are difficult to track - the numbers vary widely up or down from year to year. It appears that suicides and homicides are increasing while motor vehicle deaths are decreasing. Young men are particularly vulnerable. For 1992, they constitute almost 75% of violent death victims.

PERCENT CHILDREN IN POVERTY

Poverty affects children's physical and emotional health, self-esteem, nutrition, intelligence, and likelihood of completing school. Family poverty seriously impacts child development in many ways. Despite Utah's economic boom, child poverty has been gradually increasing.

This has to do with many factors: incomes not keeping up with housing costs; rising numbers of families where both parents have to work to make ends meet; an increase in households headed by single parents, either by divorce or choice. Of particular concern are the numbers of pre-schoolers now living in poverty. Poverty will decrease their own capacities for success in school and in life as they mature. According to the United States Census Bureau, a quarter of all children under age 6 are living in poverty.

PERCENT CHILDREN IN SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES

According to Census data, over the last ten years the percentage of children in single-parent families has risen steadily in every state in the nation. Children in these families usually do not enjoy the same economic, housing or human resources available to children in a two parent household.

Furthermore, poverty among single-parent families is not erased by public assistance programs for poor children such as Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC). In addition, many Utah families do not receive full child support payments.

In 1993, Utah's combination of AFDC and Food Stamps is only 67.4% of the poverty line. It is barely pays the rent for most two bedroom apartments in Salt Lake City. Many families are forced to double-up or move in with other relatives, placing children at greater risk through overcrowded housing in communities which cannot support their physical, educational, or emotional needs.

NOTES

- Indicator data is noted by county on the appropriate topic page.
- Utah KIDS COUNT is developing additional indicators for Utah's children. Those indicators will be reflected in *Key Facts 1995*.
- Watch for Utah KIDS COUNT *Issue Briefs*. These publications will highlight Utah's families and children by specific issue, geographic area, or need.

1993 Utah Families Demographics & Economics

Percent children below poverty

COUNTY	All	5-17	Under 5
Beaver	15.2	13.6	20.7
Box Elder	7.9	7.5	8.8
Cache	11.3	10.3	13.8
Carbon	16.7	14.3	24.5
Daggett	20.9	19.3	25.4
Davis	7.8	6.9	10.1
Duchesne	21.9	19.6	28.5
Emery	11.0	9.9	14.8
Garfield	20.2	19.4	22.6
Grand	16.5	12.8	27.9
Iron	16.4	14.9	20.9
Juab	12.3	10.7	18.1
Kane	20.6	18.9	26
Millard	17.8	16.8	20.7
Morgan	10.3	10.1	11.1
Piute	25.3	21.3	42
Rich	16.0	16.7	14
Salt Lake	11.6	10.3	15
San Juan	38.5	35.4	47.2
Sanpete	20.8	19.7	24.9
Sevier	16.1	15.4	18.6
Summit	8.3	7.8	9.6
Tooele	14.7	12.4	21.7
Uintah	22.3	19.8	29.7
Utah	12.6	10.7	17.2
Wasatch	7.8	7.7	8.2
Washington	15.7	14.7	18.8
Wayne	17.0	16.6	18.2
Weber	11.8	10.2	16.1
UTAH	12.2	10.9	15.8

Families	413,257
Female head of household	46,839
with children	34,025
Male head of household	†
with children	†

† Data not available

Children	
Under 5	170,552
5 to 17	465,344
18 to 20	91,303
Total	727,199

Children of color	66,362
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Divorces, Dissolutions & Annulments

1992	9,406
Rate per 1000 population	
Utah	5.2
*US	4.8
Estimate children impacted	unknown

* Provisional

Birth Rate per 1000 Population

Utah	20.4
*US	16.0

* Provisional

Dependency Ratio per 100 Working Age Adults

Dependents	
Utah	81
US	63
Pre-school children	
Utah	18
US	12
School age children	
Utah	48
US	30
Retirement age	
Utah	16
US	21

POVERTY

Families with children

less than age 18	29,006
less than age 5	18,167

Single Parent Families

Female head of household	14,210
With children	
less than age 18	13,234
less than age 5	7,485
Male head of household	†
With children	
less than age 18	†
less than age 5	†

Children Living in Poverty

Estimate	75,504
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† Data not available

INCOME & SUPPORTS

Monthly Income - FY94 (grant effective 10/1/94)

Family size	Utah AFDC grant	Federal poverty level
2	\$ 342	\$ 820
4	498	1,233
6	625	1,647
8	685	2,060

Department of Human Services, Office of Recovery Services, Child Support Enforcement

Caseload as of 8/7/94

Families owed support	99,674
Families receiving support	46,348

AFDC

Collections	18,512,576
Support due	165,165,730

Non-AFDC

Collections	37,695,859
Support due	128,062,402

See county tables for more data

NOTE: All population data is based on 1990 Census data.

HUNGER

Food Pantries, by reporting agencies

See county tables for data on hunger.

TAXES

Federal Returns Filed by Utah Residents

1992 Federal Adjusted Gross Income \$	# returns	\$ child credit	\$ earned income credit
Under 1	1,208	27	270,482
1 - 5,000	11,686	280	4,853,591
5,001 - 10,000	21,512	8,108	21,271,109
10,001 - 15,000	28,322	472,206	28,246,338
15,001 - 20,000	28,224	1,039,549	15,089,648
20,001 - 25,000	16,521	1,143,874	1,554,389
25,001 - 30,000	9,050	1,177,146	
30,001 - 35,000	8,790	1,298,780	
35,001 - 40,000	8,492	1,356,087	
40,001 - 45,000	7,654	1,325,994	
45,001 - 50,000	6,793	1,174,565	
50,001 - 75,000	19,290	3,124,831	
75,001 - 100,000	6,280	672,745	
100,001 - 250,000	6,682	327,091	
> 250,000	1,844	33,161	

HOMELESSNESS & HOUSING

Homeless Children and Youth - Reported by

School Districts	3,942
Migrant Health Services	220
Youth Corrections	466
Youth Services	52
TOTAL	4,680
(1992 TOTAL)	4,424
(1991 TOTAL)	4,849

See education tables for more data.

Salt Lake Family Shelter (FY94)

Families served	142
Two parent household	69
Single Parent/female	63
Single Parent/male	10
Children served	343
Age of children served (years)	
infant to five	181
six to eleven	118
twelve to seventeen	43
Average length of stay	74.32 days

Subsidized Housing

Housing Authority	*Units	Applications
Bear River	257	206
Beaver City	18	10
Carbon County	423	150
Cedar City	65	151
Davis County	1,086	973
Emery County	92	64
Grand County	45	202
Ogden City	1,248	1,015
Provo City	724	984
Roosevelt/Myton	63	200
Salt Lake City	2,388	2,797
Salt Lake County	1,841	6,100
St. George	181	148
Tooele County	223	500
Utah County	745	283
Weber County	76	250
West Valley	388	560
TOTAL	9,863	14,593

* includes public housing, Section 8 certificates, vouchers, new construction, rehabilitation, etc.

Teens not in school & not working	Unemployment Rate	COUNTY
0.0	4.5	Beaver
2.0	4.8	Box Elder
1.4	3.2	Cache
2.0	6.6	Carbon
0.0	3.8	Daggett
3.5	3.4	Davis
3.8	7.8	Duchesne
3.9	7.2	Emery
0.8	8.7	Garfield
1.3	6.0	Grand
0.7	3.8	Iron
1.8	5.5	Juab
4.2	6.7	Kane
0.8	4.9	Millard
0.6	4.9	Morgan
0.0	6.2	Piute
6.3	2.7	Rich
3.1	3.4	Salt Lake
3.9	6.4	San Juan
3.3	6.0	Sanpete
4.3	5.1	Sevier
3.6	4.8	Summit
4.4	4.7	Tooele
5.9	6.5	Uintah
1.9	3.5	Utah
1.8	5.6	Wasatch
1.6	3.6	Washington
0.0	6.6	Wayne
4.1	5.0	Weber
2.8	3.9	UTAH

County	Population	Households	1994 Projections				as of 8/7/94 ORS Child Support Cases	FY94 Median Family Income \$	1992 Per Capita Personal Income \$
			Household Size (average)	Children < 18 years	Children 10-17 years	Dependency Ratio			
Beaver	5,500	1,841	2.99	2,031	955	103	224	\$ 28,800	\$ 12,300
Box Elder	39,196	17,306	3.24	15,402	7,575	97	782	42,200	16,300
Cache	77,096	23,387	3.30	28,247	11,960	80	852	37,100	13,500
Carbon	20,941	7,116	2.94	7,071	3,731	89	1,440	36,000	16,100
Daggett	709	257	2.76	238	123	82	23	32,200	18,900
Davis	210,295	64,445	3.26	79,446	37,799	80	5,145	41,800	14,700
Duchesne	13,329	3,792	3.52	5,760	3,000	106	791	31,100	13,600
Emery	10,465	3,072	3.41	4,364	2,397	100	498	39,600	12,700
Garfield	4,281	1,445	2.96	1,487	753	104	141	27,300	12,800
Grand	7,831	2,826	2.77	2,388	1,135	75	614	30,500	16,300
Iron	24,212	7,598	3.19	8,449	3,824	83	1,284	31,400	12,000
Juab	6,401	2,040	3.14	2,395	1,226	105	41	33,600	12,000
Kane	5,549	1,897	2.93	1,868	926	99	220	28,700	12,800
Millard	11,779	3,459	3.41	4,950	2,585	117	62	37,300	12,200
Morgan	6,238	1,890	3.30	2,453	1,337	90	45	44,300	16,400
Piute	1,404	496	2.83	444	267	101	11	26,100	11,200
Rich	1,780	570	3.12	691	377	99	18	34,800	15,700
Salt Lake	796,182	263,393	3.02	270,652	121,947	74	36,511	41,800	17,300
San Juan	13,197	3,822	3.45	5,297	2,308	92	1,131	22,100	9,400
Sanpete	18,356	5,384	3.41	6,893	3,604	100	104	29,100	11,100
Sevier	16,733	5,287	3.16	6,272	3,312	105	102	32,200	12,600
Summit	20,564	7,027	2.93	6,854	3,300	64	263	49,400	23,500
Tooele	26,996	8,972	3.01	9,385	4,683	80	1,246	39,200	16,500
Uintah	23,972	7,491	3.20	9,249	4,393	89	1,562	31,200	11,800
Utah	303,241	88,795	3.42	116,432	48,831	81	8,936	37,300	13,400
Wasatch	11,686	3,839	3.04	4,365	2,168	86	291	34,700	12,600
Washington	62,521	20,030	3.12	22,025	10,578	105	3,303	32,900	12,600
Wayne	2,277	791	2.88	756	381	94	22	26,600	13,500
Weber	172,466	57,902	2.98	57,789	26,409	80	7,097	41,800	16,900
UTAH	1,915,197	616,170	—	683,653	311,884	—	72,759	—	—

Persons Served by Department of Human Services, Selected Categories, June 94

FY94 (1st six months)							Percent of	
Emergency Food Pantries * caseload	AFDC	General Assistance	Medical Only	Food Stamps Only	Emergency Work Program	Total Served	Population Served	County
11,661	108	2	113	87	0	310	5.64	Beaver
298	656	14	583	543	0	1,796	4.58	Box Elder
443	942	16	1,601	737	4	3,300	4.28	Cache
1,360	1,031	29	508	503	37	2,108	10.07	Carbon
†	0	1	4	0	0	5	0.71	Daggett
504	4,193	74	2,823	1,375	7	8,472	4.03	Davis
†	34	32	503	594	34	1,197	8.98	Duchesne
See Carbon	382	30	114	137	14	677	6.47	Emery
See Beaver	63	2	101	101	0	267	6.24	Garfield
See Carbon	324	11	239	179	0	753	9.62	Grand
See Beaver	781	7	836	355	0	1,979	8.17	Iron
1,279	125	2	155	40	2	324	5.06	Juab
See Beaver	170	8	89	48	0	315	5.68	Kane
See Juab	404	20	326	162	0	912	7.74	Millard
†	21	0	25	10	0	56	0.90	Morgan
See Juab	6	0	4	1	0	11	0.78	Piute
See Box Elder	21	0	17	21	0	59	3.31	Rich
28,091	20,267	588	12,126	8,223	156	41,360	5.19	Salt Lake
See Carbon	1,290	3	494	775	0	2,562	19.41	San Juan
See Juan	448	9	414	307	0	1,178	6.42	Sanpete
See Juab	732	8	332	276	15	1,363	8.15	Sevier
See Utah	121	5	174	143	0	443	2.15	Summit
See Salt Lake	978	7	459	334	17	1,795	6.65	Tooele
†	834	18	460	351	49	1,712	7.14	Uintah
3,381	3,881	80	5,293	2,205	36	11,495	3.79	Utah
See Utah	152	7	226	90	0	475	4.06	Wasatch
See Beaver	1,576	50	1,521	684	0	3,831	6.13	Washington
See Juab	32	0	91	95	0	218	9.57	Wayne
3,760	7,121	210	2,925	2,996	44	13,296	7.71	Weber
50,777	46,693	1,233	32,556	21,372	415	102,269	5.34	UTAH

1993 Child Protection

Local Office	All Referrals		Selected Causes		
	Examined	Verified	Physical Abuse	Physical Neglect	Sexual Abuse
Beaver	45	18	5	11	2
Blanding	168	100	41	47	32
Brigham City	310	151	60	36	47
Castle Dale	93	35	10	7	18
Cedar City	300	98	39	9	44
Clearfield	1,066	462	156	128	145
Delta	37	12	4	3	7
Fillmore	37	20	9	7	7
Heber	31	20	4	4	16
Kanab	39	10	1	12	3
Loa	22	5	3	0	0
Logan	330	151	35	46	103
Manti	110	39	20	23	7
Moab	87	42	15	10	14
Monticello	56	19	0	1	1
Ogden	1,407	557	201	253	145
Panguitch	36	16	9	2	8
Park City	36	11	5	1	3
Price	392	137	44	56	35
Provo	1,783	789	278	272	337
Richfield	209	78	24	22	14
Roosevelt	276	89	26	14	37
SL/Holladay	4,454	1,849	709	397	607
So. Salt Lake	3,699	1,502	486	497	474
St. George	359	154	41	28	44
Tooele	377	135	64	10	77
Vernal	409	147	46	43	55
UTAH	16,168	6,646	2,335	1,939	2,282

ABUSE AND NEGLECT

	1991	1992	1993
Investigations	14,534	15,910	16,168
Victims	10,179	10,875	10,976

Type of Abuse/Neglect

Sexual	2,282
Physical	2,335
Physical neglect	1,939
Non-supervision	1,515
Emotional maltreatment	1,512
Dependency	884
Medical neglect	178
Educational neglect	160
Abandonment	71
Failure to protect	53
Fetal addiction	46

Age of Victim

0-1 years	1,029
2-4	2,198
5-8	2,893
9-12	2,561
13-18	2,248
Unknown	47

Gender of Victim

Female	5,974
Male	5,002

Disabling Condition of Victim

Chronic illness/disability	34
Mental retardation	26
Emotional illness	64
Learning disability	52
Hearing, speech, sight	19
Undiagnosed condition	164

Gender of Perpetrator

Female	3,880
Male	4,588

Age of Perpetrator - years

0-19	1,257
20-29	2,213
30-39	3,104
40-49	1,199
50-59	252
60 +	153
Unknown	290

Location of Perpetrator

In home	6,351
Out of home	2,117

FOSTER CARE

Department of Human Services, Division of Family Services

Gender

Female	565
Male	492
Not reported	3

Age/Years

Less than 1	67
1-5	240
6-12	291
13-17	452
18 and over	10

Original Permanency Goal

Adoptive placement	12
Independent living	37
Permanent foster care	27
Return/remain in home	983
Unknown	1

Living Arrangement

State training school	0
Home of relative/guardian	53
Own family home	71
State hospital	7
Adoptive home	0
Foster home/no payment	7
Foster home	331
Correction facility	16
Residential treatment	13
Runaway	20
Emergency placement	124
Group home/no payment	9
Group home	0
Independent living	5
Unknown/not reported	404

ADOPTION

Adoptions	1991	1992	1993
	1,308	1,371	1,320

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

CY92

Women sheltered	1,634
Shelter days	8,302
Children sheltered	2,047
Shelter days	14,088
Protective orders obtained through domestic violence shelter programs	2,385

Due to a change in data collection, data not available for CY93.



Severity of Abuse/Neglect to Victim

Hospitalized	Permanent Disability	Fatal	Local Office
0	0	0	Beaver
3	1	0	Blanding
3	0	1	Brigham City
0	0	0	Castle Dale
1	0	0	Cedar City
3	4	1	Clearfield
0	0	0	Delta
1	0	0	Fillmore
0	0	0	Heber
0	0	0	Kanab
0	0	0	Loa
0	0	0	Logan
0	0	0	Manti
4	0	0	Moab
0	0	0	Monticello
8	2	2	Ogden
2	0	0	Panguitch
1	0	0	Park City
0	0	0	Price
11	7	1	Provo
5	1	0	Richfield
3	0	0	Roosevelt
58	4	1	SL/Holladay
7	4	1	So. Salt Lake
3	1	0	St. George
2	0	0	Tooele
2	0	0	Vernal
117	24	7	UTAH

1992 Maternal & Child Health

COUNTY	Births number	Births to Teens (< 20 yrs.) number percent
Beaver	92	15 16.30
Box Elder	652	80 12.27
Cache	1,776	128 7.21
Carbon	282	51 18.09
Daggett	6	0 0.00
Davis	4,017	368 9.16
Duchesne	270	43 15.93
Emery	170	17 10.00
Garfield	61	7 11.48
Grand	94	17 18.09
Iron	444	34 7.66
Juab	98	17 17.35
Kane	84	11 13.10
Millard	196	26 13.27
Morgan	89	5 5.62
Piute	10	1 10.00
Rich	21	0 0.00
Salt Lake	15,223	1,668 10.96
San Juan	353	50 14.16
Sanpete	290	37 12.76
Sevier	295	58 19.66
Summit	285	16 5.61
Tooele	483	66 13.66
Uintah	426	77 18.08
Utah	7,055	545 7.73
Wasatch	172	19 11.05
Washington	1,019	97 9.52
Wayne	26	4 15.38
Weber	3,209	461 14.37
UTAH	37,198	3,918 10.53

PREGNANCY & BIRTH

Pregnancies	40,984
Fetal Deaths	261
Induced Abortions	3,525
Births	37,198

Medicaid Births - estimates

FY88	5,440
FY89	6,227
FY90	8,550
FY91	9,973
FY92	11,480
FY93	11,891
FY94	12,519

PRENATAL CARE

Trimester care began

Not stated	477
No prenatal care	90
Third trimester	782
Second trimester	4,593
First trimester	31,256

LOW BIRTH WEIGHT

Less than 2,500 grams

(5 lbs. 8 oz.)	1990	*1991	*1992
Number of births	2,067	2,179	2,089
Percent of births	5.7	6.0	5.6
By age of mother			
Under age 18	118	119	128
Percent of births	9.9	9.0	9.2
Age 18 and over	1,949	2,054	1,961
Percent of births	5.6	5.9	5.5
By race of mother			
African American	33	25	22
Percent of births	8.6	14.0	9.1
Native American	43	46	44
Percent of births	5.1	5.8	6.0
Caucasian	1,913	2,049	1,962
Percent of births	5.6	6.0	5.6

INFANT DEATH

	1990	*1991	*1992
All infant deaths	269	222	221
Rate per 1,000 births	7.4	6.2	5.9
Neonatal deaths			
Birth to 27 days	137	109	133
By selected causes:			
Respiratory disease	17	10	13
Complications of pregnancy	7	11	8
Prematurity or low birth weight	13	20	25
Congenital heart disease	20	10	23
Post-neonatal deaths			
28 days to 1 year	132	113	88
By selected causes:			
SIDS	73	61	46
Congenital heart disease	13	9	10
Accident	2	9	3
Homicide	4	2	0

* Provisional



CHILD DEATH

county data available in 1995

Violent Causes - under age 20

	1991	1992	*1993
ALL	177	182	208
Motor vehicle	61	44	64
Motor vehicle/pedestrian	9	18	13
Suicide	28	43	41
Firearm related	19	29	26
Drowning	13	18	12
Homicide	23	16	19
Firearm related	5	7	7
Other firearm related			
Accidental	0	1	3
Undetermined	1	2	1

* Provisional

Youth Violent Death Rate - age 15 to 19 years

Year	Total	Rate
1992	95	55.72
1991	79	48.10
1990	96	62.16
1989	93	63.29
1988	92	63.84
1987	103	72.88

rate per 100,000

Disease Causes - under age 20

1991	data not available
1992	304
1993	314

WIC

1993 Eligible (estimate) 100,000

Average Monthly Participation

	1991	1992	1993	†1994
Women	10,399	12,661	12,030	13,156
Infants	11,325	12,535	13,915	14,393
Children	18,218	24,239	27,684	28,291
TOTAL	39,942	49,425	53,579	55,840

† estimate

HEALTH CARE ACCESS

1992 - Estimates

Uninsured by Congressional District

District	total	Working Families number	percent	# of children
1	63,000	57,000	90.4	20,000
2	66,000	60,000	90.5	19,000
3	75,000	67,000	89.8	26,000
Utah	204,000	184,000	90.2	65,000

FAMILY PLANNING

Utah Department of Health

Division of Family Health Services - FY93

Total served	*1,589
New clients	918
under age 18	138

* doesn't include SL City/County Health Department

Planned Parenthood Association of Utah - CY93

Total unduplicated served	25,548
Under 150% of poverty	20,438
under age 18	4,341
Age 18 to 24	14,562
Over age 25	6,642

LOW BIRTHWEIGHT, < 2500 GRAMS

number	percent	COUNTY
6	6.52	Beaver
34	5.21	Box Elder
65	3.66	Cache
21	7.45	Carbon
0	0.00	Daggett
230	5.73	Davis
18	6.67	Duchesne
13	7.65	Emery
3	4.92	Garfield
5	5.32	Grand
16	3.60	Iron
6	6.12	Juab
5	5.95	Kane
7	3.57	Millard
5	5.62	Morgan
0	0.00	Plute
1	4.76	Rich
891	5.85	Salt Lake
18	5.10	San Juan
16	5.52	Sanpete
21	7.12	Sevier
19	6.67	Summit
35	7.25	Tooele
30	7.04	Uintah
347	4.92	Utah
7	4.07	Wasatch
42	4.12	Washington
2	7.69	Wayne
226	7.04	Weber
2,089	5.62	UTAH

CHILD HEALTH EVALUATION AND CARE, FFY93

COUNTY	Service Type				Service Type			
	Service eligible	CHEC supervision	Percent participation	Total screening services	Corrective treatment referral	vision	dental	hearing
Beaver	335	75	22.39	95	18	27	69	5
Box Elder	2,044	290	14.19	328	43	191	416	26
Cache	4,473	1,646	36.80	2,843	151	282	816	65
Carbon	2,195	657	29.93	855	150	284	458	166
Daggett	134	51	38.06	86	8	6	21	6
Davis	9,991	4,382	43.86	4,844	537	729	2,454	566
Duchesne	1,605	399	24.86	589	44	167	234	15
Emery	890	272	30.56	327	72	123	146	216
Garfield	260	75	28.85	86	19	26	41	1
Grand	759	117	15.42	122	45	67	102	10
Iron	2,270	488	21.50	673	87	166	541	38
Juab	472	69	14.62	117	11	45	107	8
Kane	439	90	20.50	100	23	47	60	5
Millard	918	181	19.72	285	15	67	215	28
Morgan	71	16	22.54	23	2	3	11	2
Plute	94	5	5.32	7	1	15	16	1
Rich	70	10	14.29	12	3	8	12	0
Salt Lake	49,350	23,576	47.77	21,448	1,866	2,537	8,967	940
San Juan	2,866	478	16.68	645	105	214	152	16
Sanpete	1,383	79	5.71	117	12	114	246	18
Sevier	1,490	208	13.96	210	30	253	347	23
Summit	416	103	24.76	166	9	22	70	6
Tooele	2,127	590	27.74	786	81	192	411	27
Uintah	2,615	690	26.39	1,152	128	287	312	35
Utah	17,550	8,011	45.65	9,633	796	1,004	3,229	319
Wasatch	693	173	24.96	248	26	77	134	31
Washington	4,718	1,390	29.46	2,245	250	414	1,014	108
Wayne	128	30	23.44	45	4	11	27	2
Weber	13,607	6,356	46.71	6,777	611	834	2,832	500
UTAH	123,963	50,507	40.74	54,864	5,147	8,212	23,460	3,183

DISABLED INFANTS & CHILDREN

Department of Human Services,
Division of Services for People with Disabilities
Children, age 0 - 18 Years

Respite/Family Support Services

Regional Office	# served	# waiting
Blanding	32	37
Brigham City	5	0
Cedar City	11	0
Clearfield	48	6
Delta	16	5
Heber	3	0
Kanab	3	0
Logan	25	4
Manti	3	5
Moab	11	11
Nephi	17	3
Ogden	45	17
Price	16	13
Provo	85	27
Richfield	9	2
Salt Lake	202	200
St. George	54	15
Tooele	5	2
Vernal	28	6
TOTAL	618	353

Primary Diagnosis

Autism	50	20
Blindness	7	3
Brain Damage	71	25
Cerebral Palsy	88	52
Deafness	1	1
Epilepsy	11	10
Mental Retardation	224	156
Physical Health Problems	11	6
Mental Illness	4	1
Other	151	79
TOTAL	618	353

Department of Health

Children's Special Health Services

Children with chronic illness or disabling conditions
estimate 64,656

Early Intervention Services - CY93

Children served 1,494
Percent of target population served 47%

Specialty Clinic & Care Program - FY94 estimates

Children served 6,000
Clinic visits 18,000

Home Health Care Program - FY94

Children served 107
HIV/AIDS children served 2
Pediatric case management contacts,
including home visits, phone calls,
case conferences 1,800

PREVENTABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Reported Cases	1991	1992	1993
Measles	224	0	0
Pertussis	45	45	43

1993 Rate	UTAH	US
Measles	0	.1
Pertussis	2.3	2.3

per 100,000

Children Inadequately Immunized	1992	1993	1994
At licensed or reporting unlicensed child care	1,985	2,036	2,057
At school or kindergarten entry	2,336	2,409	2,204

AIDS/HIV

Reported through June 10, 1994

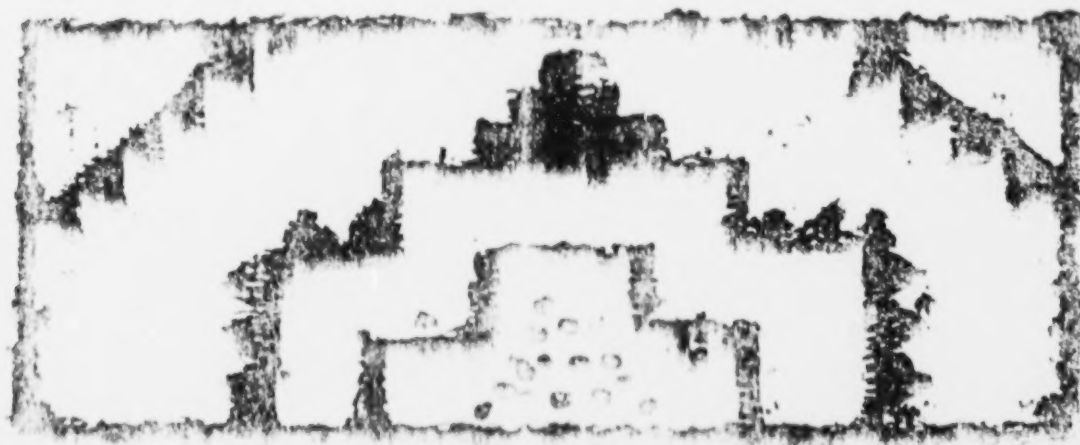
PEDIATRIC (< 13 yrs.)	AIDS	HIV
Mother at risk	15	4
Hemophiliac/clotting factor	3	0
Transfusion	2	1

ADOLESCENT (age 13-19) 10 26

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

1993

Age/years	0-9	10-14	15-19
Uncomplicated			
Gonorrhea	0	5	97
Gonorrhea PID	0	0	0
Chlamydia	0	39	667
Chlamydia PID	0	0	3
Primary Syphilis	0	0	2
Secondary Syphilis	0	0	1
Early Latent Syphilis	0	0	0



DISTRICT	High School Graduates	School Year Dropouts	Annual Dropout Rate
Alpine	2,220	142	0.76
Beaver	84	3	0.45
Box Elder	697	69	1.39
Cache	809	42	0.71
Carbon	317	35	1.37
Daggett	11	*	*
Davis	3,319	694	2.68
Duchesne	276	54	2.50
Emery	200	22	1.36
Garfield	69	4	0.81
Grand	80	40	5.57
Granite	4,032	1,014	2.80
Iron	310	30	1.20
Jordan	3,749	464	1.51
Juab	101	2	0.26
Kane	100	2	0.29
Logan	327	1	0.04
Millard	234	9	0.51
Morgan	123	6	0.67
Murray	403	8	0.26
Nebo	1,095	39	0.49
No. Sanpete	118	*	*
No. Summit	54	5	1.06
Ogden	612	352	6.64
Park City	115	15	1.45
Piute	43	*	*
Provo	818	58	0.92
Rich	38	*	*
Salt Lake	1,057	455	4.37
San Juan	208	24	1.49
Sevier	313	70	2.85
So. Sanpete	187	18	1.29
So. Summit	59	12	2.26
Tintic	21	*	*
Tooele	487	49	1.44
Uintah	312	62	2.13
Wasatch	188	39	2.59
Washington	846	74	1.11
Wayne	34	2	0.71
Weber	1,659	135	1.07
UTAH	25,725	4,050	1.93

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL

All current expenditures including food service revenue, Chapter 1 Funds, etc.

Utah	\$3,218
U.S.	\$5,616

STUDENT TO TEACHER RATIO

Average daily attendance

Utah Average	22.5
U.S. Average	16.0

ALL DISTRICTS REPORTING

12th grade (year end enrollment)	28,290
Graduates	25,725
Dropouts	1,400
Self-contained	203
Status unknown	962

DROPOUT RATE

Grade level	Annual event rate (percent)
9	0.66
10	2.38
11	3.83
12	4.87

ETHNIC REPRESENTATION

Kindergarten through 12th grade

	number	percent
African American	2,878	0.62
Native American		
/Alaskan Native	6,403	1.39
Asian	6,880	1.49
Caucasian	423,220	91.75
Hispanic	19,643	4.26
Pacific Islander	2,235	0.48
Total students of color	38,039	8.24

* Data are zero, not available or not reported.

CHILD CARE

Children needing child care - 1994 Projections

less than age 6 224,160
6 - 11 years 221,726

Specialists licensing and monitoring providers

Center providers 4
Home care providers 19 full-time
3 part-time

Licensed Family Day Care

Providers 2,710
Number of slots 13,200
Children enrolled unknown

License Exempt Care

Providers (estimate) unknown
Contracts unknown

Children Receiving Subsidized Care - FY94 Forecast

Title IV-A & SPED
Average per month 7,416
Average cost per month 147.27

Low Income

Average per month 5,834
Average cost per month 152.12
based on February '94 data

HEAD START

Special education pre-school 2,690
Head Start 959
TOTAL enrolled 3,649

Infant Care Slots *	Infant Care Providers *	School-age Slots *	Licensed Child Care School-age Providers *	Child Care Centers *	Center Capacity *	COUNTY
8	1	0	0	2	130	Beaver
24	3	0	0	6	384	Box Elder
4	1	85	4	6	131	Cache
*	*	*	*	*	*	Carbon
135	13	0	0	21	2,003	Daggett
*	*	*	*	*	*	Davis
0	0	75	5	5	75	Duchesne
*	*	*	*	*	*	Emery
*	*	*	*	*	*	Garfield
7	1	0	0	3	88	Grand
8	1	0	0	1	33	Iron
0	0	0	0	1	32	Juab
12	2	0	0	2	53	Kane
*	*	*	*	*	*	Millard
*	*	*	*	*	*	Morgan
*	*	*	*	*	*	Plute
1,128	88	1,809	30	186	14,351	Rich
3	1	30	1	2	50	Salt Lake
8	1	0	0	1	22	San Juan
8	2	0	0	2	65	Sanpete
80	6	0	0	8	449	Sevier
12	2	0	0	3	147	Summit
8	1	0	0	2	66	Tooele
222	17	0	0	23	1,853	Uintah
28	3	0	0	3	99	Utah
72	3	0	0	7	477	Wasatch
*	*	*	*	*	*	Washington
275	20	40	1	29	2,204	Wayne
2,042	166	2,039	41	313	22,712	Weber
						UTAH

District	1993 - 1994 SCHOOL YEAR					1992 - 1993 SCHOOL YEAR					
	Enrolled	Receiving Free Lunch	Reduced Price Lunch	Homeless Children & Youth	Migrant Children Enrolled	Expenditures per Student	Pupil/ Teacher Ratio	Average Teacher Salary	Bilingual Students	Low Income Students	Special Education
Alpine	41,601	6,829	4,409	267	417	2,868	28.70	29,048	732	6,229	1,038
Beaver	1,398	345	144	*	*	3,574	21.53	23,607	6	347	13
Box Elder	11,326	2,019	974	37	140	3,120	25.17	26,455	166	2,046	203
Cache	12,846	1,842	1,491	*	299	3,228	27.69	26,065	311	1,670	292
Carbon	5,067	1,422	373	150	*	3,700	24.28	24,920	25	1,352	126
Daggett	191	41	24	*	*	8,430	11.65	23,923	*	35	*
Davis	57,933	6,976	4,684	319	109	3,103	25.99	26,270	3,154	7,018	1,942
Duchesne	4,527	1,268	468	*	*	3,513	23.10	23,859	384	1,267	208
Emery	3,429	708	410	*	*	4,064	21.01	22,608	630	689	50
Garfield	1,140	305	171	*	*	4,299	20.13	23,831	15	305	10
Grand	1,603	568	102	100	*	3,667	20.28	23,378	54	481	35
Granite	79,209	15,451	6,560	1,091	*	3,021	25.85	28,668	5,301	14,772	2,994
Iron	5,858	1,522	493	258	66	3,308	25.10	25,879	36	1,459	25
Jordan	70,255	8,309	4,847	44	199	2,973	26.04	27,381	2,188	7,652	2,218
Juab	1,608	370	260	*	*	3,513	24.93	24,013	*	384	41
Kane	1,399	369	224	*	*	3,984	19.68	25,706	8	388	13
Logan	5,838	1,346	530	149	*	3,036	22.86	26,848	501	1,344	167
Millard	3,891	1,059	707	148	257	4,094	22.43	25,939	214	1,039	86
Morgan	2,004	195	272	*	*	3,235	25.42	25,915	46	197	22
Murray	6,821	852	424	1	*	3,164	24.50	26,400	116	831	225

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Nebo	17,871	3,562	2,507	82	116	2,918	26.78	27,413	229	3,264	266
No. Sanpete	2,426	806	321	17	260	3,464	23.15	23,903	67	788	45
No. Summit	976	107	79	*	*	3,865	21.09	27,228	*	97	3
Ogden	12,775	5,798	1,368	2,121	605	3,658	22.90	27,316	1,311	5,291	664
Park City	2,761	151	55	4	*	3,858	23.64	29,000	22	142	53
Piute	374	167	58	*	*	5,070	20.78	20,182	*	161	4
Provo	13,706	3,507	1,369	261	*	3,981	23.80	26,482	999	3,473	641
Rich	564	201	68	*	*	4,969	19.44	27,229	7	191	6
Salt Lake	25,698	9,698	1,818	2,594	*	3,674	23.47	30,354	3,798	9,225	1,532
San Juan	3,537	1,892	413	1,339	*	6,065	16.34	28,284	2,837	1,723	131
Sevier	4,914	1,386	705	*	*	3,668	25.56	24,615	2	1,274	93
So. Sanpete	2,975	929	361	10	*	3,123	23.89	24,437	107	926	23
So. Summit	1,148	158	83	*	*	4,425	23.11	24,622	*	154	9
Tintic	247	124	31	10	*	6,357	12.99	25,356	*	104	*
Tooele	7,334	1,635	782	112	*	3,647	24.37	25,135	937	1,442	150
Utah	6,814	2,084	652	75	*	3,511	24.51	25,593	338	1,984	343
Wasatch	3,219	473	265	*	*	3,167	24.36	26,098	13	468	86
Washington	15,644	2,421	1,157	443	*	2,784	27.81	26,149	430	3,249	235
Wayne	590	225	107	7	*	5,141	18.47	23,052	*	207	1
Weber	27,158	3,303	2,608	30	see Ogden	3,193	27.02	27,109	63	3,328	1,044
UTAH	468,675	90,423	42,374	9,669	2,468	3,218	25.44	27,239	24,447	86,996	15,037

NOTES: * Data are zero, not available, or not reported.

** Does not include school lunch revenues, Chapter 1 funds, etc.

*** Ratio = pupils (special education & K-12 with K-weighted, excluding out-of-state students) to teachers (including interns and resource teachers).

**** Includes Career Ladder

1993 Juvenile Justice

JUVENILE COURT

Youth age 18 years in 1993	31,848
Percentage with at least one referral to Juvenile Court during their teen years	42.1%

Offenses Reported to Juvenile Court

Felonies	9,990
Misdemeanors/infractions	45,437
Juvenile Status	12,134
Traffic	3,176
Dependency, Abuse, Neglect (Victims)	2,841

Top 10 Offenses

Substance abuse &/or related offenses	7,379
Shoplifting	7,177
Possession of Tobacco	7,113
Theft	7,063
Destruction of Property	5,270
Burglary & Vehicle Burglary	4,822
Contempt of a Court Order	4,603
Curfew	3,576
Misdemeanor Assault	3,073
Trespass	2,690

Percent Growth - Top 8

(between 1992 and 1993)

Curfew	28%
Alcohol/drugs	24%
Disorderly Conduct	18%
Tobacco possession	17%
Out of state runaway	15%
Receiving stolen property	13%
Habitual truancy	10%

Cases Handled by Juvenile Court

Age Group-yrs.	0-11	12-15	16-18
Misdemeanors & Infractions			
Girls	420	5,184	3,195
Boys	2,461	16,701	15,162
Felonies			
Girls	43	687	372
Boys	558	4,358	3,627
Abuse, Neglect & Dependency (Victims)			
Girls	926	446	120
Boys	888	302	118

GANG ACTIVITY

First Six Months of 1994

Salt Lake Area

Identified gang members or associates	2,143
Identified gangs	254

Age

Juvenile	722
Adult	1,421

Gender

Male	1,932
Female	211

Cases by Jurisdiction

Midvale City	62
Murray City	128
Salt Lake City	2,267
S.L. County Sheriff's Office	720
Sandy City	124
South Salt Lake City	172
University of Utah	26
West Jordan City	60
West Valley City	183
Total	3,742

Utah County Gang Project

Gang Related Reports	114
Gang Related Arrests	172
Number of Gangs	23
Gang Members	176

YOUTH CORRECTIONS

Detention Center Admissions

	Different Youth Served	Limit	Avg Nightly Bed Count	% Nights Over Limit
Cache Attention/ Detention Center	148	8	5.7	5
Canyonlands Youth Home	110	4	3.8	24
Castle Country Youth Center	129	6	1.3	0
Central Utah Youth Home	129	4	3.6	29
MOWEDA Youth Home	758	34	29.3	26
Provo Youth Detention Center	509	21	19.3	33
St. George Youth Center	124	4	0.1	0
Salt Lake Detention	1,603	56	72.9	94
Southwest Utah Youth Center	288	10	9.3	35
Uintah Basin Youth Center	113	4	4.1	42
Total	3,911	151	149.3	

Case Managers	22
Average case load	23

Secure Facilities

Youth committed	121
Average length of stay (months*)	7.1
Age of youth committed	
range	13 to 18
average	16.6

*over represents youth with short guidelines, only includes completed commitments

Youth Parole Authority

On parole	115
Parole terminations	93
Average length of parole supervision	6.8 months
Parole hearings	551

JUVENILE CRIME ARRESTS

County	Violent Crime Arrests by Age (homicide, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault)						Selected Offenses, ages 9 through 17 years				
	9 yrs	10-12 yrs	13-14 yrs	15-16 yrs	17 yrs	10-17 yrs	Larceny/theft	Other Assault	Vandalism	Weapons	Other sex offense
Beaver	0	0	0	3	0	3	11	3	2	0	2
Box Elder	1	3	0	2	1	6	286	60	106	17	14
Cache	0	2	1	5	0	8	462	41	65	17	18
Carbon	1	1	1	1	1	4	156	54	30	6	9
Daggett	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Davis	6	12	29	37	21	99	1,406	328	386	84	47
Duchesne	0	0	1	2	1	4	100	16	7	0	4
Emery	0	0	0	1	0	1	8	16	0	0	2
Garfield	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	2	0	0	0
Grand	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	16	24	3	2
Iron	0	0	3	2	3	8	113	32	9	7	12
Juab	0	0	1	0	0	1	21	5	24	4	4
Kane	0	1	3	3	3	10	30	3	12	0	2
Millard	1	1	1	2	0	4	27	8	8	0	0
Morgan	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	6	0	0	1
Piute	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rich	0	0	0	0	2	2	3	0	12	0	0
Salt Lake	19	66	170	230	109	575	5,992	1,499	1,418	458	205
San Juan	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	1
Sanpete	0	2	4	3	5	14	64	21	54	1	0
Sevier	2	2	2	8	0	12	207	33	65	0	5
Summit	0	0	0	8	2	10	50	5	3	5	2
Tooele	0	4	7	5	3	19	132	45	62	17	11
Uintah	0	0	0	4	2	6	204	31	39	9	8
Utah	0	11	32	39	13	95	1,734	218	469	75	61
Wasatch	0	0	0	3	0	3	33	22	7	3	5
Washington	1	6	2	6	4	18	442	50	115	23	19
Wayne	0	0	0	1	0	1	6	0	3	2	0
Weber	4	9	28	56	35	128	1,155	350	242	99	78
UTAH	35	122	286	421	205	1,034	12,697	2,866	3,162	830	512

1993 Mental Health

MENTAL ILLNESS

Community Mental Health Centers

Number served:	
Day treatment	1,632
Residential treatment	620
Outpatient SED	2,895
(caseload + admissions)	
Case management-estimate	500

State Hospital

Age	1-12	13-17
Admissions	16	39
Re-admissions	3	5
Gender		
Female	3	25
Male	9	14
Race/ethnicity		
Caucasian	9	36
Hispanic	1	2
Native American	0	0
Other	0	1
Commitment status		
Voluntary/Parent	9	19
Voluntary/DFS	6	7
Voluntary/Self	0	0
Juvenile Court	0	2
Civil Commitment	1	11
SED	14	28
Diagnosis		
Schizophrenia	0	4
Major Depression	3	29
Dysthymia	1	1
Conduct Disorder	2	3
Oppositional/Defiant	3	0
ADHD	5	0
Other	1	1
Not Yet Diagnosed	1	1
Median Length of Stay	374	330
Average Occupancy	20	48

Combined Length/Stay	343
Combined Avg Occupancy	68

HOSPITAL INPATIENT DISCHARGES

Children under age 18 †

Mental Diseases and Disorders (DRG 424-432)

Insurance status	number	percent	ALOS
Self pay	0	0	0
Charity	4	1.10	2.50
Medicaid	114	31.40	22.36
Other Government	25	6.89	54.36
Other Insurance	199	54.82	22.34
Unknown	21	5.79	34.90
TOTAL	363	100.00	25.03

Depressive Neuroses (DRG 426)

Self pay	5	1.47	49.00
Charity	1	0.29	17.00
Medicaid	77	22.58	22.62
Other Government	18	5.28	43.89
Other Insurance	228	66.86	15.97
Unknown	12	3.52	17.00
TOTAL	341	100.00	19.47

Neuroses (DRG 427)

Self pay	2	1.14	16.50
Charity	2	1.14	8.00
Medicaid	57	32.57	22.54
Other Government	14	8.00	45.21
Other Insurance	93	53.14	17.84
Unknown	7	4.00	65.14
TOTAL	175	100.00	23.33

Psychoses (DRG 430)

Self pay	13	0.79	10.46
Charity	22	1.34	29.27
Medicaid	304	18.58	20.34
Other Government	107	6.54	49.27
Other Insurance	1,061	64.85	17.51
Unknown	129	7.89	70.74
TOTAL	1,636	100.00	24.42

† Provisional data

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Drug & Alcohol Treatment, Admissions

District	< 18 Yrs	18-20 Yrs
Bear River	169	149
Central Utah	122	29
Davis County	178	163
Four Corners	83	19
Salt Lake County	636	212
San Juan	5	3
Southwest Utah	133	40
Tooele County	58	35
Uintah Basin	15	13
U of U Clinic	1	9
UAF	15	35
Utah County	290	160
Utah State Prison	0	9
Valley Mental Health	25	15
Wasatch County	3	6
Weber County	252	117
TOTAL	1,985	1,014



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Terms

ADHD. Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder.

AFDC. Aid to Families with Dependent Children.

AIDS. Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

ALOS. Average length of stay.

Calendar Year. A twelve month period ending December 31.

Career Ladder. A program which offers financial and career incentives for teachers to enhance their skills.

CHEC. Child Health Evaluation and Care - see EPSDT.

Chapter 1. Federally funded education program created by Part A, Chapter 1, Title 1 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Provides financial assistance to schools to meet the educational needs of low income or neglected children.

Child Foster Care. A temporary service for children who have been removed from their parent's home due to serious neglect, abuse, abandonment, or are otherwise dependent and in need of care. The State is given legal custody either through a voluntary agreement with the parents (for 90 days) or by a court order. This term may also refer to Basic Foster Care, a level of foster care in which foster parents provide parental supervision and care. The providers must be licensed and trained.

Children Group Homes. A group setting with a home-like atmosphere. This out-of-home placement is for children requiring twenty-four hour medical and/or supervised care from trained staff.

CY. See Calendar Year

Dependency. Credible evidence that through no parental/caretaker fault a child is without food, shelter, supervision, or health care.

Dependency Ratio. The number of pre-school children (age 0-4), school age children (age 5-17) and retired people (age > =65) per 100 working age adults (age 18-64).

DRG. Diagnostic Related Group.

Dropout. An individual in grades 7-12 who was enrolled in public school at some time during the previous school year; was not enrolled within five school days of the start of the current school year; has not graduated from high school or completed a state/district approved education program. The following are exclusions: transferred to another public school district, private school or state/district approved education program; temporary absence due to suspension or school approved illness; or death.

Dropout Rate. The percentage of school dropouts under age 22 eligible to be enrolled in grades seven through twelve.

Dysthemia. Mental distress.

Emergency Foster Care. An emergency short term placement of a child/youth in custody of the State while another placement is being arranged, generally because the youth has either left the foster home and will not be returning, or must be removed from the foster home and is awaiting replacement. Providers must be licensed and trained.

EPSDT. Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment.

Expenditures per student. Charges incurred, whether paid or unpaid, which are presumed to benefit the school current fiscal year. For elementary/secondary schools, these include all expenditures for current outlays plus capital outlays and interest on school debt.

Family. A group of two or more persons related by birth, marriage, or adoption who live together.

Family Support. The division of Services for People with Disabilities defines Family Support as support to enable a family to meet the challenges of have a children with a disability. Respite care provides parents with a temporary break. Assistive technology and equipment allow children to participate in all activities. Special training addresses the unique needs of the children or the family in order for them to live as much like other families as possible.

Fiscal Year. A twelve month accounting/budget cycle usually ending June 30 or for the Federal Government, September 30. Other government entities such as a city or county may have a different budget cycle.

FY. See Fiscal Year

FFY. Federal Fiscal year, ending September 30.

Group Home. A licensed facility which provides care and treatment for more than six children or youth, generally through purchase of a service contract.

HIV. Human Immune Deficiency Virus

Household. Includes all the persons who occupy a housing unit.

Independent Living. Services provided to 16-18 year old youth in custody of the State to prepare them for eventual self-sufficiency, and to help those not returning home to transition to living on their own when custody is terminated.

Juvenile. A person less than 18 years of age.

PID. Pelvic Inflammatory Disease.

Professional Parent. Out-of-home placement with a family which has specialized training to care for a disabled child. A professional parent provides the most home-like environment. Efforts are made to encourage and enable the natural parents to be reunited with their child.

Respite Care and Family Support. Respite care provides temporary relief or rest for parents dealing with the extra demands of a child with special medical, physical, emotional, or educational needs. Care may be provided by friends, relatives or respite care providers, in the individual's home, in the provider's home or in an approved facility. This care may be provided on an hourly basis up to 6 hours a day, or on a 24 hour basis. Ideally, respite care is provided by specially trained individuals who understand the needs of disabled individuals.

SED. Serious emotional disturbance is a functional definition that describes intense problems persisting over time, one year or longer, covering many life areas, such as family, school, peers, health, etc.

SPMI. Serious and persistent mental illness is a functional definition that describes a severe emotional and behavioral disorder in children causing life distress in several domains and requiring intensive mental health treatment.

SIDS. Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

Shelter Care. An emergency placement provided in a licensed home for children in imminent danger from abuse, neglect, or parental absence. A court hearing is required if the placement is longer than 24 hours.

SPED. Single Parent Employment Demonstration Project.

Special Education Students. Children evaluated with the following impairments and needing special education and services: deaf/hard of hearing, deaf/blind, mentally retarded, multi-handicapped, orthopedically impaired, other health impaired, seriously emotionally disturbed (SED), specific learning disabled, speech and language impaired, visually impaired, and homebound or hospitalized.

STD. Sexually transmitted disease.

Title IV-A. Amendment to the Social Security Act providing states with funding for public assistance programs.

UAF. Utah Alcoholism Foundation, Salt Lake City.

Uninsured. Adults and children not covered by health insurance. Health insurance includes private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid or other insurance. Based on Department of the Treasury definition.

USDC. Utah State Developmental Center. A state operated facility which provides active intensive treatment and training to people with mental retardation. Children are now served in the community.

WIC. Women, Infants and Children food program.

Working Family. Families, including unrelated individuals, in which either the reference person or spouse is employed. Based on Department of the Treasury definition.



Make a Difference for Children

CHILDREN'S ACTION NETWORK

Utah Children has developed a list of individuals and organizations committed to making a difference for children. The computer-based network makes possible the following activities: linking persons concerned about similar issues; sharing information; and action alerts on pending policy or legislative issues.

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YES...

- ☐ I support the *Pledge to Our Children*
- ☐ I want to be part of the *Children's Action Network*
- ☐ Send membership information

I want to be a force for change in...

- ☐ Child abuse prevention
- ☐ Child care
- ☐ Foster care
- ☐ Health care services for children
- ☐ AFDC - income supports for poor families
- ☐ Child support
- ☐ Divorce impact on children
- ☐ Juvenile justice
- ☐ Mental health
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Adoption
- ☐ Children with disabilities

Other: _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State & Zip _____

Phone: Office _____ Home _____ FAX _____

I want to be involved through...

- ☐ KIDS COUNT regional meetings
- ☐ KIDS COUNT statewide conference
- ☐ Writing letters
- ☐ Making phone calls
- ☐ Serving on a committee
- ☐ Speaking to groups
- ☐ Office work
- ☐ Endorsement
- ☐ Legislative monitoring

I represent...

- ☐ Myself

The following organization:

- ☐ I provide direct services to children
- ☐ I work for government
- ☐ I am an elected official

A PLEDGE TO OUR CHILDREN

Utah Children has chosen this theme to unify and mobilize Utah child advocates. The Board of Trustees considered a number of approaches. A Bill of Rights was too legalistic. A dream...a vision...a promise were all too vague. We have chosen the word *pledge* because it implies commitment and looking to the future. We have selected words and phrases to cover the breadth of children's needs. We believe the pledge, with the endorsement of many individuals and groups, will provide a reference point for specific initiatives by Utah citizens in future years.

We pledge to ensure that our children:

- *are loved and nurtured*
- *are nourished and sheltered from harm*
- *grow and flourish in safe places among those who care*
- *live free of exploitation, abuse and neglect*
- *receive health care and comfort*
- *are educated in mind and spirit and developed in body*
- *are prepared to assume responsibility and accept the consequences of their actions*
- *are prepared to assume productive roles in society*

Finally we pledge to guard our children's liberty, rights and dignity.

Utah Children

Utah Children was founded in 1985 by individuals concerned about children whose parents are least able to nurture and provide for them. Our goal is to encourage preventive investment in children before they get sick, get into trouble, drop out of school or suffer family breakdown. Our work complements direct services for children by providing a bridge between community programs and state policy-making.

Utah Children seeks to: 1) improve and increase the effectiveness of the public systems charged with the protection of abused, neglected and foster children; 2) assure children have adequate nutrition, health care, child care and monetary support from their absent parents; and 3) assure that safe, quality child care is available to all children.

METHODS

Research - Issue identification and policy analysis
Education - Sharing factual information
Publications - Quarterly newsletter and topical papers
Legislative Reports - Reports and presentations
Speakers Bureau - Tailored presentations
Advocacy Consultation - Strategy development
Networking - Bridges for communities
Recognition - Annual outstanding service award

OPERATIONS

Utah Children's work is guided by a board of trustees representing a wide range of backgrounds and expertise. Staff is responsible for program activities. Volunteers assist with research, advocacy, mass mailings, and other activities. University interns are placed periodically at Utah Children. Ad hoc committees are convened as needed to study, consult and advise the board and staff on pertinent issues affecting families and children and to recommend actions and strategies for improving services to children and their families.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ▶ A statewide organization speaking out for the interests of children
- ▶ Coordinate advocacy efforts for children
- ▶ Nine publications and three position papers
- ▶ *Rights, Responsibilities, Relationships*, children's rights handbook for Utah
- ▶ Statewide advocacy conference annually since 1990
- ▶ Utah KIDS COUNT grantee
- ▶ Improved outcomes for at-risk children
 - treatment of handicapped infants and toddlers
 - reforms in child welfare and foster care
 - more child welfare workers
 - expanded guardian ad litem program
 - establishment of office of child care
 - lower child/provider ratios in child care
 - increased training for child care providers
 - better collaboration among state agencies

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